

## IN RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF ROBERT HOUSTON

**HON. MIKE ROGERS**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 17, 2013*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask for the House's attention today to recognize Mr. Robert Houston, who will be retiring from BAE Systems after 35 years of service.

Robert began his career in 1977 with FMC Corporation as a manufacturing analyst. Since then, Robert has traveled the United States and globe—from Iowa to South Carolina to Iraq. He first held positions like welder, shop floor supervisor and operations and human resources manager. After much hard work, he rose into line management roles. Prior to his current position, Mr. Houston served as the vice president and general manager for the legacy Steel Products and Readiness & Sustainment businesses. During this time, he also acted as the Anniston site executive.

In addition to working for BAE, Robert has been extremely involved in his community. Robert served as the first African American president of the Aiken Rotary Club and the first African American chairman of the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce. Robert also dedicated time to working with Anniston schools on STEM programs and reading initiatives.

After his retirement, Robert plans to spend time with his family, including his grandson, Cameron. He also plans to vacation with his wife of 35 years.

Mr. Speaker, please join Mr. Houston's family, his colleagues and myself in both thanking Robert Houston for his dedication to the community and wishing him the best of luck in all of his future pursuits.

## HONORING MS. TERRY LONGORIA

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 17, 2013*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Terry Longoria of Napa County, California on the occasion of her retirement.

In 2002, Ms. Longoria concluded twenty-seven years of hard work and service to her community as Director of Napa County's Department of Health and Human Services. In that capacity she led 350 and employees managed a \$45 million annual budget, ensuring smooth operations within the agency.

Ms. Longoria also served as a founding Board Member of Napa Valley Coalition of Private Non-Profit Agencies, the founding Commissioner from Napa in the Partnership Health Plan of California, and the founding Commissioner from Napa in the Children and Families First Commission, working hard to promote wellness in the Napa Valley and deliver important services to our community.

Since her departure from Health and Human Services, Terry has worked with the Napa County Office of Education, NCOE, as the Director of Safe Schools Healthy Students where she oversaw comprehensive projects

aimed at addressing the needs of Napa students and their families.

Ms. Longoria has served on the Board of Directors for Child Start Incorporated, and as Chair of the Parents Council for the Boys and Girls Club. She is a member of the Bay Area Social Services Consortium, and the Board of Directors for Napa County Council for Economic Opportunity.

Terry has dedicated her life to providing services and support to her Napa community, especially to children and the disadvantaged. Terry has always looked for ways to help others and even her retirement party, which should be her moment in the sun, is at VOICES, so she can use her event as a fundraiser for this great organization.

Mr. Speaker, Terry Longoria has a long and distinguished career of service to others. It is therefore appropriate that we acknowledge her today and wish her well in her retirement.

## HONORING THE INDIANA FEVER

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 17, 2013*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the accomplishments of the Indiana Fever, my home-state WNBA team.

The Indiana Fever won the 2012 WNBA championship over the Minnesota Lynx, the first in the history of the franchise. This Fever team embodied the best of Hoosier basketball with a toughness and team effort that won fans over across the State. I was thrilled to join the team on June 14th as President Obama welcomed the newest champions in professional basketball to the White House.

Led on the court by Finals MVP Tamika Catchings and All-Star and Purdue University graduate Katie Douglas, the Fever won in postseason play with a strong defense and a never say quit mentality that helped them overcome adversity. These players overcame significant injuries and came together as a team to win the title after a regular season record of 22–12. Credit for this outstanding leadership goes to Head Coach Lin Dunn, a great ambassador of the game.

Owner Herb Simon, President Jim Morris, Chief Operating Officer Rick Fuson, and President and General Manager of Fever Basketball Kelly Krauskopf deserve special recognition for their leadership of this franchise from expansion team to WNBA Champions. We are lucky to have these leaders, coaches, and players so highly invested in our community.

I join the entire 6th district and Hoosiers across the State in congratulating the Indiana Fever for a fantastic and thrilling 2012 championship season. Fever fans statewide are looking forward to what this talented team will achieve this season.

## CELEBRATING THE CAREER OF BETTY ANN BENTON

**HON. LEONARD LANCE**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 17, 2013*

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the work of Mrs. Betty Ann Benton of

Pennington, New Jersey for her accomplished career in education. Betty Ann has taught for over thirty years as an elementary school teacher spending many years in Hopewell Township. There she introduced innovative programming and community outreach.

Betty Ann showed leadership in the classroom and her dedication led her to become the first Certified Reading Recovery teacher in the Hopewell Valley School System. Her notable service and accomplishments led to her recognition as Teacher of the Year in Hopewell Elementary School in 1994. Since that recognition she has been a role model to young educators. Betty Ann also introduced Hank, the Reading Therapy Dog, to the district, an idea acclaimed by students and parents that encouraged young, shy students to be engaged.

In addition to her distinguished work as an educator, Betty Ann has also demonstrated great commitment to her community through her involvement in the Healthy Communities Program and her time as a volunteer professional development instructor.

Betty Ann serves as an outstanding role model who has continually shown her dedication to her community through her students. I congratulate her on a long and distinguished career and congratulate her on her retirement.

## THE "LIMITING INTERNET AND BLANKET ELECTRONIC REVIEW OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND EMAIL (LIBERT-E) ACT"

**HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 17, 2013*

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, in light of the recent public revelations about the National Security Agency's extensive surveillance programs, today we are introducing bipartisan legislation that will curtail the excesses of these programs and protect our privacy rights. The "Limiting Internet and Blanket Electronic Review of Telecommunications and Email (LIBERT-E) Act" contains commonsense proposals to strengthen our civil liberties and hold our government accountable.

Specifically, the LIBERT-E Act provides for the following legislative changes:

The legislation reforms access to certain business records for foreign intelligence and international terrorism investigations. Section 2 of the LIBERT-E Act changes Section 215 of the USA PATRIOT Act in order to prevent the mass collection of business records that are not material to an authorized foreign intelligence investigation, an international terrorism investigation, or clandestine intelligence activities.

Currently, in order to obtain a Section 215 court order, the government need only show that the records are "relevant" to such an investigation. Recent reports suggest that the government's view of the "relevance" standard includes records of every telephone call on a given network. Section 2 of the LIBERT-E Act would also require that the government show that the relevance of these records to the investigation is based on "specific and articulable" facts, that the records are material to the investigation, and that the records "pertain only to individuals under such investigation." In addition, the section removes a list of